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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An Appendix including four Declarations under 37 CFR 1.1.31 and a printout of an abstract of a patent assignment from the USPTO website are attached following page 15 of this paper.